AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) ~~Container~~ A container comprising a sterilized bottle made from a multimodal ethylene polymer having a standard density of at least 935 kg/m^3 and a fluidity index MI_2 of from I to 10 g/10 min, said multimodal ethylene polymer comprising:

from 20 to 65 wt%, based on the total weight of the multimodal ethylene polymer, of a fraction comprising ethylene polymer (A) having a density of more than 950 kg/m^3 and a fluidity index MI_2 (A) of at least 10 g/l 0 min; and

from 80 to 35 wt %, based on the total weight of the multimodal ethylene polymer, of a fraction comprising a copolymer (B) of ethylene and at least one alpha-olefin containing from 3 to 12 carbon atoms, and having a fluidity index MI_2 (B) of less than 10 g/min and a content of said alpha-olefin(s) of 0.1 to 5 mol%.

2. (Currently amended) Container ~~comprising ethylene polymer having a standard density of at least 935 kg/m^3, a fluidity index MI_2 of from I to 10 g/10 min~~ according to claim 1, wherein the ethylene polymer has a Vicat point of at least 126.5°C and a resistance to slow cracking, measured according to ASTM D 1693 (1980), condition A of at least 60 hours.

3. (Original) Container according to claim 1, wherein the standard density of the ethylene polymer (A) is more than 965 kg/m^3.

4. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the proportion of ethylene polymer (A) is from 30 to 40 wt%.

5. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the standard density of the multimodal ethylene polymer is at least 950 kg/m^3.

6. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, which has a volume of less than 2L.

7. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, which is formed only of said multimodal ethylene polymer.

8. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein polymer (A) is a homopolymer of ethylene.

9. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a fluidity index MI_2 of from 1 to 3 g/10 min.

10. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a density of no more than 962 kg/m^3.

11. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a Mw/Mn of 9 or less.

12. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a Mw/Mn of at least 5.

13. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer has a ratio $MI_2(A)$ /MI_2 of from 5 to 200.

14. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the MI_2 (B) is from 0.08 to 0.8 g/10 min.

15. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the copolymer (B) comprises units derived from ethylene and butene-1.

16. (Previously presented) Container according to claim 1, wherein the multimodal ethylene polymer is obtained by polymerisation in at least two reactors connected in series.

17-19. (Cancelled).